

93D CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 3117

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

MARCH 28, 1974

Referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations and ordered to be printed

AMENDMENT

Intended to be proposed by Mr. MUSKIE to S. 3117, a bill to authorize appropriations for the Department of State, and for other purposes, viz: At the end of the bill, add the following new section:

- 1 AUTHORITY OF AMBASSADORS
- 2 SEC. 7. The Act entitled "An Act to provide certain
- 3 basic authority for the Department of State", approved
- 4 August 1, 1956, as amended, is further amended by adding
- 5 at the end thereof the following new section:

- 6 "SEC. 16. (a) The United States Ambassador to a for-
- 7 eign country shall have full responsibility for the direction,
- 8 coordination, and supervision of all United States Govern-
- 9 ment officers and employees in that country, except for per-

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1 sonnel under the command of a United States area military
2 commander.

3 “(b) The Ambassador shall keep himself fully and cur-
4 rently informed with respect to all activities and operations
5 of the United States Government within that country. He
6 shall insure that all Government officers and employees in
7 that country, except for personnel under the command of a
8 United States area military commander, comply fully with
9 his directives.

10 “(c) Any department or agency having officers or em-
11 ployees in a country shall keep the United States Ambassa-
12 dor to that country fully and currently informed with respect
13 to all activities and operations of its officers and employees in
14 that country. The department or agency shall also insure that
15 all of its officers and employees, except for personnel under
16 the command of a United States area military commander,
17 comply fully with all applicable directives of the Amba-
18 sador.”.

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1. Director	4/16	4/17	uec/bip	<p>Attached for your information is an amendment by Muskie concerning the authority of ambassadors. We have forwarded to DDO and OGC for their thoughts and recommendations, but it seems that the bill is not on solid constitutional grounds to the extent that it would require informing an ambassador of undertakings which the President wished to conduct through other channels and perhaps without the ambassador's knowledge. Traditionally the House Foreign Affairs Committee has been pretty good at trimming out Senate amendments such as this.</p> <div style="background-color: black; width: 100%; height: 80px; margin-top: 10px;"></div> <p>Att.</p>
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